Congressional Assembly to Seek the Blessings of Providence: H. Con. Res. 184, amended, providing for a National Day of Reconciliation; Pages H7147-50

Federal Power Marketing Initiatives to Reduce Vandalism: H.R. 2924, amended, to provide authority to the Federal Power Marketing Administrations to reduce vandalism and destruction of property (agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 418 yeas with none voting "nay," Roll No. 397);

Pages H7150, H7158-59

Security of Dams: H.R. 2925, amended, to amend the Reclamation Recreation Management Act of 1992 in order to provide for the security of dams, facilities, and resources under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Reclamation;

Pages H7150-51

Moccasin Bend National Historic Site, Tennessee: H.R. 980, amended, to establish the Moccasin Bend National Historic Site in the State of Tennessee as a unit of the National Park System; and

Pages H7151-53

Metacomet-Monadnock-Sunapee-Mattabesett

Trail Study Act: H.R. 1814, amended, to amend the National Trails System Act to designate the Metacomet-Monadnock-Sunapee-Mattabesett Trail extending through western New Hampshire, western Massachusetts, and central Connecticut for study for potential addition to the National Trails System. Agreed to amend the title. Pages H7153–55

Suspension—Proceedings Postponed on Patriot Act: The House completed debate on the motion to suspend the rules and pass H.R. 3162, to deter and punish terrorist acts in the United States and around the world, to enhance law enforcement investigatory tools. Proceedings will resume on Wednesday, Oct. 24, 2001.

Pages H7159–H7207

Presidential Message—Railroad Retirement Board: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted the FY 2000 annual report of the Railroad Retirement Board—referred to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure and Ways and Means.

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Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H7129 and H7155.

Referrals: S. 423, S. 941, S. 1057, S. 1097, and S. 1105 were referred to the Committee on Resources, S. Con. Res. 74 was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and S. 838 was held at the desk.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H7155–56, H7157–58, and H7158–59. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 9:58 p.m.

Committee Meetings

BIOLOGICAL WARFARE DEFENSE VACCINE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on National Security, Veterans' Affairs, and International Relations continued hearings on Biological Warfare Defense Vaccine Research and Development Program. Testimony was heard from Tommy Thompson, Secretary of Health and Human Services; Anna Johnson-Wineger, Deputy Assistant to the Secretary, Chemical/Biological Defense Programs, Department of Defense; Nancy Kingsbury, Director, Applied Research and Methods, GAO; and public witnesses.

ECONOMIC SECURITY AND RECOVERY ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a modified closed rule providing one hour of debate in the House equally divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means on H.R. 3090, Economic Security and Recovery Act of 2001. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment recommended by the Committee on Ways and Means now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted. The rule provides for consideration of only the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution, if offered by Representative Rangel or his designee, which shall be considered as read and shall be separately debatable for one hour equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment in the nature of a substitute. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Thomas and Representatives Tiahrt, Quinn, Rangel, Cardin, Visclosky, Waters, Farr of California, Underwood, Wu, Inslee, and Strickland.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST of October 17, 2001, p. D1035)

H.J. Res. 69, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2002. Signed on October 22, 2001. (Public Law 107–53)